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One step closer

The start of construction at the two hospital sites in Minden and Haliburton moved a great deal closer Thursday.

Just in time for the second annual meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Board, the Ministry of Health announced approval had been granted for the work to be put to tender. Up to that point, ministry officials were pouring over the architect's drawings to ensure they met with MoH criteria. The local health board had been assured that the plans were all but approved, but without the ministry's consent it was impossible to release them to the general contractors who will lead the construction process.

That approval finally came Thursday and added an upbeat note to the annual general meeting held at the Legion Hall in Haliburton. "As of this afternoon, we have been authorized to go to tender for our capital projects," Hugh Nichol, chair of the board announced at the start of the meeting. He was obviously pleased with the news, as were fellow board members and the public.

Nichol pointed out that it was likely more than coincidence that the announcement from the MoH occurred in time for the annual general meeting. He noted that MPP Chris Hodgson had always been supportive of the health services projects in the Highlands and

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An evening of celebration



It was a proud and fun-filled night for students, parents and teachers Tuesday evening as Archie Stouffer Elementary School recognized the outstanding students of the year. Above teacher Kathy Adams clowns it up with top Geography students in the three grade 8 classes, from the left, Jennifer Moore, Cheryl Ripley and Aaron Ketner. At the left Jennifer Carpenter receives the Stuart Baker Memorial Award from teacher Eric Thompson while at the Right, David Bloomfield is presented with the Haliburton County Women Teachers Association Award for leadership. See the second section for a complete report on the graduation.



Price increase for *The Times*

The retail price of *The Times* is changing.

Publisher Jack Brezina has announced the price of the newspaper as of the July 6 edition will move to 93¢. The price increase is the first for the newspaper in seven years and reflects the increased costs which have occurred during that time period.

The price of 93¢ was chosen because, with the addition of the 7¢ GST the cost of the newspaper will be an even \$1. This should make it easier for the purchaser and the retailer handling the sale of the newspaper. A portion of the increase will include a higher return for retailers who sell *The Times*.

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It's a community picnic, a day of good, old-fashioned fun and it's a birthday party to which everyone is invited.

After 131 years this country has a lot to celebrate and the party planned for Wednesday should reflect that.

Those thoughts come to mind in examining the line-up of activities planned for the riverside venue in Minden as the nation celebrates its birthday. The Canada Day Committee has once again pulled together an interesting and

varied selection of events and activities that should keep just about everyone entertained from dawn to dusk.

Most of the daytime events will again take place on South Water Street along the Gull River. The portion of the street from the Beer Store to the bridge will be closed to traffic to provide an open area for people to mingle, watch the entertainment or take it easy in the cool shade of the river bank trees.

Something new at this

year's event is the addition of antique boats to the excellent line-up of classic cars which have always been a highlight of the day. Also in the river during the afternoon, expert kayakers from the Minden Wild Water Preserve and the Wild Rock Boat Werks will provide instruction right downtown for anyone interested in trying the sport. "It's an opportunity see and experience the fun and excitement of flatwater kayaking," one of the organiz-

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On the wall



Artist John Lennard has made a number of major additions to the mural this past week, including more colour layers to the portion closest to the road and roughing-in the remaining portion of the scene. Rain and extreme heat have kept the artist from working every day this week. The mural has been included in this year's Canada Day program. At 1:30 this Wednesday, a ceremony will recognize the work of the artist and give spectators a chance to view the smaller painting on which the massive piece of art is based. Visitors will also have a chance to talk to John and the mural committee about the project. This photo was taken June 26.

....at a birthday celebration for one special country

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ers said. Boats and paddles will be provided. The demonstrations begin at 1:15 and continue until 4 p.m.

Those in the kayaks will have to keep an alert eye for the Crazy Rafts which will be launched from Rotary Park at 2 p.m. in a mad dash to the bridge downtown. Winners in a variety of categories can claim cash prizes.

Also during the afternoon, the mural which is being painted on the side of *The Times* building will have its official start. Artist John Lennard has been working at the project for a number of weeks and the scene is starting to be revealed. However, for those wanting to see what the finished mural will look like, Lennard will have his small scale original with him. Gather by *The Times* building at 1:30 p.m. to have a look and meet the artist and the people behind the mural committee.

Throughout the day there will be activities for children, booths featuring community organizations, the traditional Soap Box Derby, a skateboard demonstration featuring some of the new ramps to be installed at the skateboard park and a salute to the nation at 1 p.m. The Legion colour party will march in with the Canadian flag and everyone is invited to sing a rousing chorus of the national anthem. Birthday cake for 300 will be served.

A full line up of entertainment including musicians, magicians, dancers and singers will entertain from 10:15 to 2:30 in the afternoon.

In the evening the action moves to the fairgrounds where those who arrive early will be treated to a softball game while enjoying the music of Brian Moore and his band Minor Details.

The day will come to a resounding close at the ball diamond with a spectacular fireworks display supervised by the Minden Fire Department. There is no charge to watch the display, however donations to help cover the costs would be appreciated. Watch for the firemen and add your contribution to the boot.

West Guilford

There are a number of other locations in the area where the nation's birthday will be celebrated. West Guilford is hosting a fun-filled day at the community centre. The traditional Pine Lake Swim is one of the major highlights of the day.

The West Guilford festivities actually begin Tuesday night with a teen dance and the Mr. and Miss Canada Contest. A horseshoe tournament begins in the morning. Most of the activities including waterfront races, bingo and novelty races take place in the afternoon. There will be a barbecue supper at 5:30, followed by a parents and kids baseball game. Fireworks will provide a closing salute to the celebrations.

In Wilberforce a Canada Day salute is being organized at the Red Cross Outpost Hospital starting at 11:30 a.m.

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Tenders issued for hospital projects

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was aware of the importance of the night's meeting and the growing frustration to get on with the work.

The contractors who will be bidding on the projects have already pre-qualified for the work. They will have four weeks to determine the cost of their bid and submit it to the board by July 28. The tenders will be opened on that date and the contract will be award once the winning bid is deemed to meet the requirements. Nichol suggested that formal construction on the projects could begin by the end of August.

In fact, a great deal of preliminary work has already been done, including the preparation of the architectural drawings and the start of renovations to Hyland Crest in Minden, to accommodate 22 residents in temporary quarters in the Chapel and auditorium of the building while the new long-term care wing is constructed. That work began last week and is expected to be completed in early August.

Project architect Millet Salter was on hand for the meeting Thursday and was also pleased with the announcement from the Ministry of Health regarding the tendering process. He told the gathering that if construction starts in August, he is predicting a completion date, for the Haliburton portion of the project, of February 1, 2000 and in Minden, April 1, 2000.

"In both cases you have a very well thought out, workable buildings that should be cost effective to build and to operate," the architect said.

The cost of the projects has been estimated at between \$18 and \$19 million. The next concern is to see how close the responses are to the estimates. Approximately one-third of the total cost of the project must be raised publicly. The Health Services Foundation has already started collecting the estimated \$6 million needed from public contributions.

DANCING OFF TO DREAMLAND:

Brenda Lynn Barry, Jordyn Archer, Jacqueline Anderson and Maddie Ferracutti perform with their four furry partners at The Dance Company's second annual recital on June 20. Girls and boys performed ballet, tap and jazz routines for parents and friends at the recital held at Archie Stouffer Elementary School



Somerville stays with north group

Minden/Coboconk O.P.P. Staff Sergeant Andy Millar told Somerville Council last week that a Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC) would be required in the near future.

Under the new provincial legislation, police service costs have been transferred to the municipalities. These committees allow the municipality to interact with the O.P.P. and discuss billing, crime in the community and other issues. This committee is not to be confused with the Kinmount and Area Community Policing Committee, which is a volunteer organization that works with the O.P.P.

Millar suggested that there were three options for Somerville's CPAC. An elected representative, probably a council member could sit on a Victoria County committee, a committee that represented the northern Victoria County townships or a third option would be to sit on a committee with Haliburton County members. He stated that he was open to any of these options. "I don't have a problem having a committee for northern Victoria. It's just one more meeting for me," said Millar.

The council agreed to continue its membership in the northern Victoria Policing Advisory Committee.

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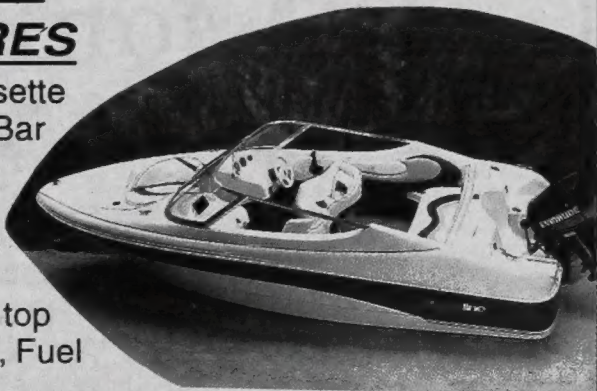
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Ridgewood graduation

There was a decidedly tropical theme at the 1998 Ridgewood Public School grade eight graduation ceremony. The gymnasium was festooned and decorated for the special occasion, as were the graduates.

Jill Dudman and Mark Janke shared the honour of giving the valedictory address. They looked back on the past few years at Ridgewood, but were focused on the future. "Look out Fenelon Falls," was the theme of their speech, a sign of their anticipation on entering high school next fall. The ceremony was officially opened as the graduates stood one last time, to sing the Ridgewood Public School song.

Several awards were given out to honour those students who achieved the highest grades and fully participated in class for each subject. Nicole Liscombe received the Mathematics Award, Shawn Therien won the English Award and the French Award, Tyler Cameron received the Geography Award, and Jill Dudman won the History Award. The Science category was captured by David Suggitt, while the Drama Award as well as the Music Award was won by Chelsey Wires. The Athletic Award was shared by Female Athlete Melissa Henderson and Male Athlete Josh Magee.

Some graduates also received a series of special awards that acknowledged the hard work, determination and effort they put forth during the past

school year. The Most Improved Student Award was won by Herb Barr and Philip Coles. Dino Dean and Jill Dudman captured the Spirit Award, while David Suggitt and Sarah Stirk received the Citizenship award.

All of the graduates, as well as some of the grade seven students, friends and family, enjoyed a dance and refreshments after the ceremony, which was not deterred despite the storm and temporary power outage. The graduates include: Michelle Jean Anderson, James Angiers, Thomas Taylor Barbour, Herbert Barr, Michael Barrington, Candace Lee Bradimore, Tyler Cameron, Cole Clark, John Clarke, Yanka Laurel Clementi, Philip Earl Coles, Dino Dean, Jenna Decarle, Jillian Dudman, Nicole Fountain, Christine Gay, Melissa Henderson, Darlene Herrtwich, Michael Hill, Megan Elyse Hirstwood, Larry Hogg, Mark Janke, Ryan John Kooger, Jeffery LaPointe, Michael LaPoint, Chantelle Lauchlan, Lisa Laver, Nicole Liscombe, Andrew MacDonald, Joshua Magee, Kurtis Mantell, Roxanne Marple, Heather Mertin, Mark Miller, William Scott Murray, Jason Riehle, Jeffery Robinson, Carol Snider, Kathleen Stewart, Sarah Stirk, David Suggitt, Jennifer Margaret Swain, Shawn Therien, Shawn Thurston Tanya Titus, Laura Wallwork, Brian Wilkinson, Matthew Wilson, and Chelsey Anne Wires.



Ridgewood Class of 1998: Grade eight graduates at Ridgewood Public School in Coboconk stand to sing the school song one last time. The gymnasium was decorated with a tropical theme for the dance that followed the graduation ceremony. Below, Valedictorians Jill Dudman and Mark Janke pose for a photo before making their way into the festivities.



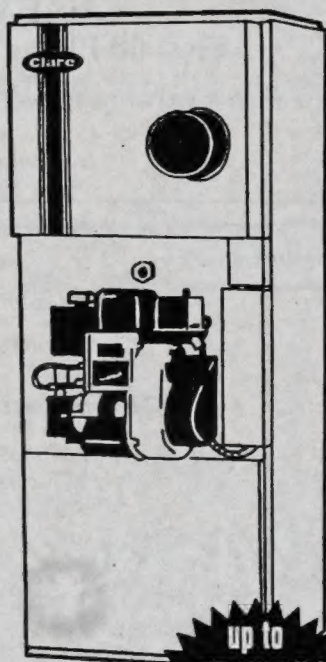
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AH&M policing costs will be 64 % above estimate

The Ontario Provincial Police estimate of the cost of services for Anson, Hindon and Minden Townships and the Village of Minden were lower than the actual cost. Staff Sergeant Andy Millar attended the June 25 meeting of Anson, Hindon and Minden council. His primary focus was on setting up a Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC), which will begin meetings in late August or early September. The committee

will consult with Millar to develop strategies on policing services in Haliburton County.

Miller noted that the OPP will be run in a business-like manner. To that end, the OPP has developed a corporate business plan. Millar admits the concept is foreign to him, since his mandate has always been police work.

On the subject of costing, records of actual calls for service show that the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden as well as Minden Village, are almost 64 per cent higher than the preliminary estimate. Millar blames a provincial government change in the way the costs are calculated. The result is that AH&M will take the hardest hit in the county for police services, on a per household basis. The municipality won't suffer this year because the government has instituted a \$90 per household cap. But councillors are worried about the future, when the cap no longer applies.

Councillor Daryl Moore asked Millar if the costs were based on a full complement of officers. Millar explained that they were, but he pointed out that the final bill of the year will reflect the actual numbers of

officers on the job. In addition, some of the officers have not yet reached first class constable status and therefore are not at the higher pay scale. That, too, will be reflected in the final bill of the year.

Millar noted that 85 per cent of the cost of policing is salaries.

Reeve Jeanne Anthon asked if the policing costs associated with such community facilities as schools, community centres and hospitals is borne by the province, upper tier government or the municipality in which they are located. Millar replied that the municipality is responsible.

Anthon also questioned whether or not the OPP mandate will include preventative measures. Millar said the CPAC will address that aspect of policing.

"Pro-active is definitely the way to go," Millar said.

As an example, he explained that officers used to go to work, "take a cruiser and go for a drive." Now, if there is a problem area, where break-ins are rampant, the duty sergeant will specifically direct officers to patrol that area.

Smash and grab artists hit Minden businesses

Thunder and lightning did not deter thieves from breaking into four Minden businesses last Thursday morning. Cash, cigarettes and lottery tickets were taken during the night, despite the inclement weather.

"The weather was better for them. There weren't many people out during the night," said Minden OPP. Constable Sean Hawley. The nasty weather may have acted as a distraction for the thieves as Minden Shell Service Centre, Sunny Variety, Minden Cango and Sonya's Unisex Hairstyling in the Jug City Plaza were broken into between midnight and six a.m.

Sheila Woodcroft, manager of the Cango station on Highway 35, went into work at 6:35 a.m. on Thursday to discover the front door lock completely missing. It was found, twisted off, in the parking lot of Westside Jug City Plaza. \$200 in cash was taken from the gas station, as well as a cash drawer. "I thought they had also taken a case of oil, but they just needed the box," said Woodcroft. "We got off lucky, from what I understand. Thank God no one was here at the time."

The owners of the Sunny Variety on Bobcaygeon Road, called the police at 6:30 Thursday morning when they discovered their store had been robbed of several cartons of cigarettes, lottery tickets and cash.

Constable Hawley says that the Ontario Provincial Police are still investigating the break and enters. Hawley would not comment on whether or not the thieves knew what they were doing. "They were in and out fairly fast," said Hawley. Each of the stores were broken into via the front door, with the door lock being pried off. The investigation is still pending.



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Calling in the markers

Editorial

Hot on the heels of last week's announcement from the Health Services Restructuring Commission, that all but endorsed the direction and scope of the health services for the Highlands, the Ministry of Health has announced that the two capital works projects can now go to tender. The announcement was timely, since it coincided with the annual meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Board, providing a suitable upbeat note to the evening's proceedings.

For some the announcement may seem like just another in a long string of similar pronouncements, made with a grand flourish, but signify little. In fact, the most recent announcements are significant and each one has brought the local health service board one step closer to its goal of completing the two projects. (An indication of the optimism these announcements carry with them could be found in the comments from architect Millet Salter. In his presentation to the meeting Thursday evening he even went out on a limb to predict not when construction will start, but when the dust will have settled completely and everyone will have been moved in to the new and renovated facilities. (The dates are: Minden, April 1, 2000 and Haliburton, February 1, 2000.) In the uncertain world of capital health construction it is often difficult to predict when a project will start, and even more perilous to say when it might finish. The confidence shown by the man hired to design these two undertakings is a strong positive indication that there is no turning back now.)

The fact that the HHHS has reached this stage in the development of the capital projects is due in no small part to the efforts of the board in general and the leadership

of its chair Hugh Nichol, along with executive director Foster Loucks. Working with single focus and determination to their credit they have not been deterred or sidetracked by the many obstacles and frustration this process has placed in their path. And, as the chairman noted, the process has also been helped at several key junctures by the influence and persuasion of MPP Chris Hodgson.

With actual building set to begin in late August, one of the key ingredients in the construction mix is now being called for. When the citizens of the area asked for these new facilities, it was on the understanding that at least one-third of the cost would be shouldered by the community. The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation, is calling in that marker. The Foundation is the group charged with raising the \$6.5 million in public funds for these projects.

There are numerous fund-raising events planned that need and deserve the support of the community. These events are designed to make fund-raising as painless and as enjoyable as possible. As important as these activities will be, the vast majority of the money to build these

two projects will come directly from the wallets and purses of the citizens who are served by these two hospitals. Direct, substantial donations, from individuals, groups, businesses and corporations, planned giving and bequests will be the fuel that puts this fund-raising project over the top.

This latest announcement should be a signal to those who have been waiting and those who haven't given the idea much thought, that your hospital needs your financial support now. Even before the proverbial first shovel goes in the ground, a substantial amount has already been spent in drawings, plans and pre-construction work that is necessary before any project can be started. However, once the work begins, the spending will increase dramatically and the need for money will be that much greater.

The community asked for the new facilities knowing we would have to bear some of the responsibility for the cost of building it. The time has come to honour that pledge we made in person or silently to ourselves in a meaningful way. Dig deep and ensure this opportunity for improved health care facilities in the Highlands is not lost.

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garage roof, coming to rest on Donny's car. Her husband's truck, which was parked only a few feet away was untouched. The brief but fierce wind storm blew down several trees and road signs in Norland, and also caused a temporary power outage.

Etcetera

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A lot of readers think that Shakespeare was waxing a tad melodramatic on the ingredients list he put in the mouths of those three old hags in Macbeth.

Not a bit of it. If anything, Bill was a touch conservative. For centuries, human beings have been grinding up, melting down and swallowing the most godawful potions, hoping to cure whatever ailed them.

Back in the Middle Ages, Europeans had a dandy cure for gout: take one very fat puppy and skin it. Fill the carcass with the juice of wild cucumber berries; beaver grease and generous dollops of fat from vultures and bears. Bring your stuffed puppy to a boil, adding candle wax to the grease that floats to the top. Apply as an ointment.

Similarly, Ancient Babylonians looked to baby lambs to relieve them of their unwanted symptoms — although the results were a little less catastrophic for the lamb. The Babylonians merely performed mouth-to-mouth on the beasts. They believed human illnesses could be transferred to lambs by breathing into the lamb's nostrils.

We didn't get much smarter with the passage of time. A hundred years ago,

medical practitioners were trying to get rid of cysts by coating them with a goo made by cooking a bullfrog in butter. Drowning victims were hauled out of the water and vigorously rubbed down with sea salt, in the belief that the salt would 'draw the water out' of the corpse.

As a bald guy, I'm particularly delighted that I didn't live back in the late 1800's. In those days, hairless men were advised to rub their domes with a raw onion until the scalp turned red, then to rub it with honey.

Didn't grow much fuzz, but it made a lot of flies happy, I imagine.

Even in my grandparents time, kids never wanted to admit they had the croup. That's because one popular cure of the croup was a teaspoon of urine three times a day.

Ah, but that was back in the bad old days of superstition and widespread folkloric weirdness. We're much more sophisticated than that nowadays, right?

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Of course they've also been swallowing potions concocted of tiger penises and rhinoceros horn for the same reason — which should have transformed them into a nation of Oriental Hugh Hefners by now.

That is, by the way, one side effect that the Golden Bears are watching for — increased randiness — which should improve their performance in the boudoir if not on the gridiron.

Of course, if they really want to intimidate opposing teams they'll rub raw onions on their football helmets.

I hear it's guaranteed to grow antlers.

Arthur Black



Casey Ogle left, Stacey Schell, Matt Hindman and Ryan Wood receive the Stuart Baker Memorial Award, presented by David Kennedy and Mrs. Dorothy Baker.



Top Honours for Academics went to Tori Browne, Amanda Robinson, Alana Woodcok and Tiffany Howe, as they received the Charles Irish Top Academic Student Award. The girls all achieved a final average over 84 per cent.

JDH graduates celebrate achievements

It was all pomp and circumstance at the 1998 grade eight graduation at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School. Despite the sweltering heat, 115 students kept cool as they graduated from the junior school and moved on to attend their neighbouring school, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in the fall.

Valedictorian Alex Ambridge thanked the staff and faculty for their years of hard work and effort. He looked to the future and hoped that he and his fellow students were prosperous in their adventures at HHSS.

The Subject Awards were given to the top students in each of the four home rooms. The winners of the Art

Awards were Jenny Laws, Kate Foulds, Josh Bekkema and Katie Carey. English Awards went to Vanessa Smith, Stacey Schell, Lacey Trotter and Tina Costeloe. French honours went to Casey Ogle, Justin Sharpley, Matt Hindman and Tiffany Howe. The History Awards were presented to Andrew Sachs, Kate Foulds, Dale Brennan and Ryan Wood. The Math Awards were won by Tori Browne, Amanda Boughner, Chris Petrow and Chris Sutcliffe. The top four Music students were Casey Ogle, Amanda Robinson, Devin Ryan and Tiffany Howe.

The Physical Education Awards were given to Tori

Browne, Alex Ambridge, Laura Harvey and Cassie Hie. The Science and Technology Awards went to Ben DeCarlo, Stacey Schell, Jennifer Moynes, and Matt Wherry. The Geography honours went to Leslie Pearsell, Amanda Robinson, Matt Hindman and Tina Costeloe.

Several special awards, which honoured students who contributed more than academics to their school, were presented. These awards celebrated students who

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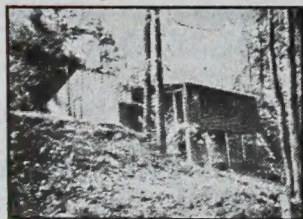


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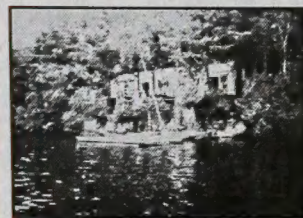
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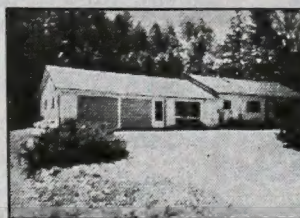
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Campbell overcomes injury to earn gold medal

by Jerry Grozelle

It took a couple of days for Kate Campbell's accomplishment to really sink in. She was the All-Ontario gold medalist in the OFSAA junior 300 metre hurdles in Sudbury on June 6. Reflecting on her gold medal performance, Campbell refuses to bask in the lime-light, "I'm really happy about it, but it's time to move on now," she said.

"I could hear them calling my name as I was coming down the last stretch and that just made me run faster"

The 17 year-old speedster will not be competing this summer. She says her summer job is a priority.

"I'd like to just take a break (from running)," she said. "If you do it all the time, you're going to get burnt out."

Campbell's gold medal performance is especially significant in light of the fact she suffered a knee injury during practice just four days before the competition in Sudbury.

"I had a big fall," she said.

An encounter with a hurdle resulted in an extremely painful knee injury that threatened her chance to compete at all.

"It was so bad I couldn't bend my knee for three or four days," Campbell said. "There was a lot of swelling, especially around the knee cap."

She went to Doctor Robert Hill in Haliburton for some physiotherapy, which, she says, really helped. But the pain in her knee remained as the big event drew nearer. She travelled to Sudbury on June 4, not sure whether she would be able to compete. She attempted the 80 metre hurdles event on the following day, which was her birthday.

"I tried one hurdle, but it was too painful," she said.

Disappointed, she limped off the track. She decided, then, not to compete in the 80 or 100 metre events and concentrate on the 300.

A physiotherapist from Windsor, by the name of Chris, worked on Kate's knee. She was in good company. "He had actually worked on Donovan Bailey and some of the Atlanta team," she said. The treatment included electro-shock and "active release" (manipulating the joint). Campbell said the experience was very painful. He told her to sing something while the treatment was in progress, to help take her mind off the pain.

"So, I sang Oklahoma," she said.

The treatment worked wonders. She said that when she stood up, the knee felt much looser, most of the tension was gone.

On the last day of the three-day championships, Campbell's coaches held back some information from her.

"They didn't tell me I was first going into the final race," she said. "So, I wasn't thinking in terms of winning any medals. I was just thinking about a personal best."

Without the pressure of maintaining her first place position, Campbell said she was extraordinarily calm and confident for the final race.

"The last two years I've finished the one under the medals (fourth)," she said. "It was hard to take, but it's been a learning experience. You have to go through something like that to really appreciate something like a gold medal. Winning is a great feeling. Coming down the stretch, knowing you're at the head of the pack, it's a feeling that you get maybe once in a lifetime."

Campbell says she knew it was a close race, but somehow she knew she would cross the finish line first.

"I could hear them calling my name

ance. I've tried both extremes and it just didn't work."

Campbell found the right combination of focus, balance and determination,

setting a personal best time of 44.61 seconds for the 300 metre hurdles to earn the gold medal.

That was her last race as a junior. "I guess I went out with a bang," she said. Next year, she will be competing as a senior.

"I want to thank my coaches, Paul Morissette, Tim Davies and Walter Tose, for being great supporters and keeping our team spirits high," she said.

Although she has competed in summer track meets in the past, she says it will be strictly high school competition for her from now on.

"I'm going to do it just for fun," she said.

After her fourth place finish last year, Campbell received a recruitment letter from the University of Iowa. It is very likely that she will be approached by several universities with the offer of an athletic scholarship.

But, she is clearly focused on a career path -- one that is removed from the world of athletics.

"I want to study theatre arts. Theatre is something I absolutely love and I'd give up running in an instant for it," she said, snapping her fingers.

At this point, she thinks she might go to Sheridan in Toronto, but that is still a few years ahead. She admits the plan could change in the meantime.



GOLD MEDALIST: Kate Campbell earned the gold medal in the Junior Girls' 300 metre hurdles at the OFSAA Track and Field Championships in Sudbury.

as I was coming down the last stretch and that just made me run faster," she said. "It was a running commentary."

Campbell believes it takes more than physical ability to come up with a gold-winning performance.

"It's such a mind game," she said. "You have to set yourself up mentally -- psychologically. You can't go out there too confident or under-confident. You have to pace yourself and find a bal-

Jenna Tompkins Memorial Lob Ball Tournament raises \$4,000

The third annual Jenna Tompkins Memorial Lob Ball Tournament raised more than \$4,000 for the Hospital Fund.

Eight teams competed for top honours in the championship and consolation divisions. For the third consecutive year, the Peelers won the championship, downing the Wolf

Pack of Minden by an 18-12 score.

The Nick Stockers took the consolation title with a 20-5 victory over the Dazed and Confused team.

Teams from as far as Ottawa and Windsor competed in this year's tournament, in honour of Jenna Tompkins, who died in a riding accident.



Kate Campbell is seen here participating in a relay race earlier this season.

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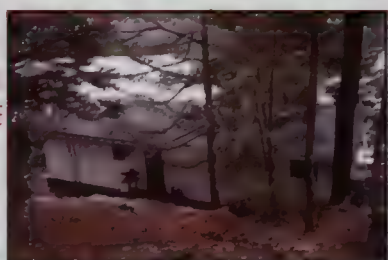
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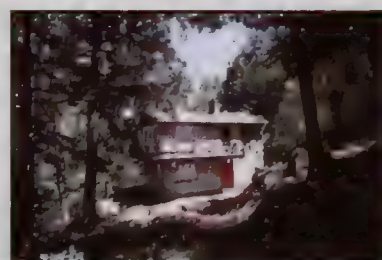
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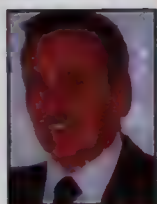
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the golf page

by Tom Ecclestone

It was certainly a bitter disappointment for Payne Stewart on Father's Day. It was just five years ago when it seemed the US Open was his for the second time in just two years. But a young and unknown Lee Janzen, paired with Stewart in the final round, won the '93 Open in New Jersey by two strokes.

Although not in the last group this championship, Janzen fought back from seven strokes behind to finish at 280, even par after 72 holes. The 33-year-old posted the clubhouse lead and watched from the scorer's tent as Stewart crumbled over Olympic's punishing final holes. His last chance came on the 72nd hole with a 25-foot birdie putt that would have forced an 18 hole playoff against Janzen the next day.

Not to take anything away from Janzen, but I'm sure there were many of us that gave out a big sigh when Stewart missed that putt.

In conjunction with the US Open and Father's Day, Blairhampton Golf Club was busy with a Father/Son or Daughter Golf tournament and contest. Sixteen teams participated in the heat and humidity on Sunday with the pairing of Dave Willis and Kyle Paolini picking up low gross honours with a combined score of 75.

Successfully defending the low net title was last year's team of Harris and Vicki Steele. George Beetlestone and his grandson Dexter were second, followed by Doug and James Allison, Tom and Ted Ecclestone, Jack and Sheila Woodcroft, Grant and Sean Clarke and Warren and Amanda Payne.

Of the 25 who entered the US Open contest sponsored by The Golf Page and Blairhampton, no one was able to pick five of the top ten finishers. The most common picks were Tiger Woods and Ernie Els but neither of the two top players

finished in the top ten.

1998 US OPEN Top Ten

1. Lee Janzen, 2. Payne Stewart, 3. Bob Tway, 4. Nick Price, 5. Steve Stricker, 5. Tom Lehman, 7. David Duval, 7. Lee Westwood, 7. Jeff Maggert, 10. Jeff Sluman, 10. Phil Mickelson, 10. Stuart Appleby

The Golf Page will have another major championship contest in July when the British Open is played at Royal Birkdale.

In other local golf news this past week, Minden's Warren Payne fired an 18 hole score of 80 to win the Mason's tournament last Saturday. Thirty five players participated in the annual event held at Beaverbrook Golf Club.

The Junior Golf League has wrapped up its spring session at Beaverbrook and will resume league play in late August. Organizers are looking forward to hosting a junior tournament in early September.

And still with Beaverbrook, Jack Evans has accomplished one of the rare feats of golf. The Whitby native aced the difficult 230 yard 6th hole using a three wood. The hole-in-one was not only witnessed by his friend Barry Neilsen, but also by one of Beaverbrook's grounds staff, Kirk Harrison.

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Graduate



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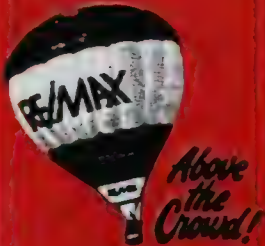
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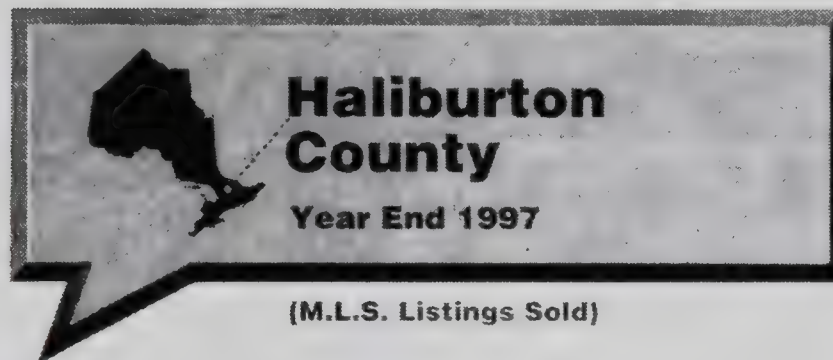
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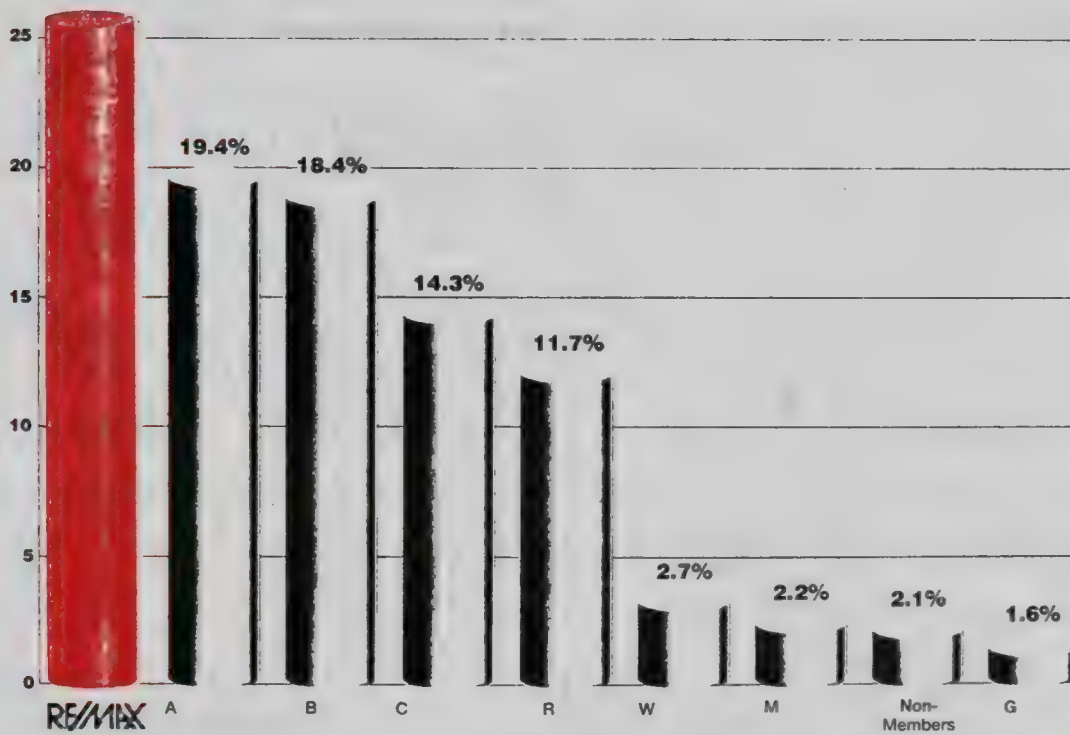
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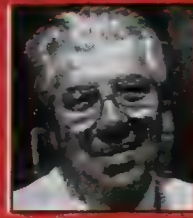
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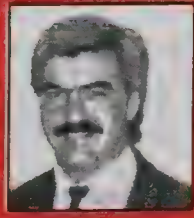
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First - Hawk River Construction, Haliburton

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Third - Dave Pettes, Minden

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Second - Jim Mathias, Huntsville
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Sponsored by Orillia Freightliner
First - John Francis Fuels, Minden
Second - Adam Coppaway, Bent Lake
Third - John Francis Fuels, Minden

1986-1989 Working Truck
Sponsored by Bernard Trumbull
First - Stewart Hunt, Port Perry
Second - Sid Stamp Fuels, Minden
Third - Kim Hamilton, Minden

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Sponsored by Jerry Harrison, in memory of his father
First - Richard Garbutt, Lakefield
Second - Doug Lee, Udora

Best Fleet
Sponsored by John Francis Fuels
First - Hawk River Construction, Haliburton

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First - Garwood Thomas, Carnarvon
Second - Barry Sisson, Minden
Third - Thomas Contracting, Carnarvon

1994-1997 Pickups
Sponsored by Curry Motors
First - Jason Newll, Kushog Lake



A competitor churns up the turf at the Minden and District Kinsmen Club's annual Truck Pull/Show and Shine at the Minden Fairgrounds on Saturday, June 20.

Second - Dan Garbutt, Minden
Third - Barry Thompson, Minden

1990-1993 Pickups
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First - Dave Bell, Stouffville
Second - Mike Stong, Port Perry

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First - Tony Prentice, Minden
Second - Kirk MacDuff, Gooderham
Third - Cory Joiner, Huntsville

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RALPH KENNEDY TROPHY:

The Second Schedule Mixed winners were presented with the Ralph Kennedy Trophy by Todd Grainger (left). The team consisted of, left to right: skip Joan Davies, vice Tom McCartney, second Nancy Cook and lead Dave Fullan.



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- 2:30 Wilberforce High Steppers, Cloggers

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- 9:30 a.m. Lions' Soap Box Derby, Chandos Street
- 9:30 - 4:00 p.m. Highlands Time Travellers, Classic Cars and Antique Boats
- 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Community Info Booths
- 10:00 a.m. - 3 p.m. Horsedrawn Wagon Rides, near The Times building
- 11:00 a.m. Skateboard Demonstration
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Gooderham celebrates its students

Class of 1998: Although the grade six graduating class of Gooderham Elementary School may be small, the entire school, as well as members of the community, came out to wish them a fond farewell at the Gooderham graduation potluck and awards ceremony. Andy Sayers, above left, Valedictorian Lynda Cheong and Tammie Billings will be heading to J. Douglas Hodgson in the fall

for grade seven. Sayers and Billings wrote a spoof of the tv show *The X-Files* to tell the crowd about their years at Gooderham. The Kinmount and District Lions Club donated an award for the student who showed the most perseverance throughout the year. Lions Bill Hartin, above left, Chris Weerdenberg and Walter Levesque presented the award to Gooderham student Justin Stevenson.

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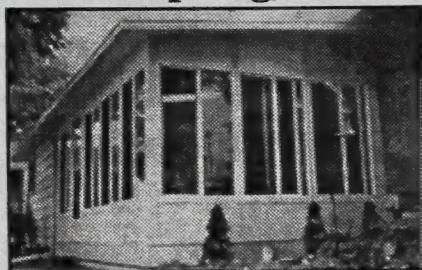
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Alex Ambridge JD Hodgson's 1998 valedictorian

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brought friendship, effort and perseverance to class each day. Christine Lynd presented the Leadership Award to four model students who led their peers in a positive manner. The award was given to Terry Dawson, Kate Foulds, Lacey Trotter and Cassie Ilie. Leslie Pearsell, Alex Ambridge, Meagan Woodman



JDH Valedictorian Alex Ambridge.

Kyle Bailey, Jessica Bain, Travis Bain, Travis Barton, Josh Bekkema, Jaime Bilodeau, Amanda Bird.

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and Matt Wherry received the Douglas Devolin Citizenship award, for their contributions to the school.

David Kennedy presented the Stuart Baker Memorial Award, assisted by Dorothy Baker. The award was received by Casey Ogle, Stacey Schell, Matt Hindman and Ryan Wood for their efforts over the past year.

The grade eight graduates of J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School include: Alex Ambridge, Tim Andrus,

Cory Poole, Adam Pringle, Allen Reid, Candice Roadknight, Cameron Robertson, Amanda Robinson, Devin Ryan, Andrew Sachs, Cory Schell, Stacey Schell, Jordache Schuitemaker, Emily Schwartzentruber, Patrick Seabrooke, Lorena Selk,

Justin Sharpley, Cory Sisson, Vanessa Smith, Christopher Sutcliffe, Ashley Thibadeau, Lacey Trotter, Tina Vineham, Mike Walker, Matthew Wherry, Jeffrey Wilson, Zach Witthun, Ryan Wood, Alana Woodcock, and Megan Woodman.

Transportation costs expected to run over budget

The Trillium Lakelands District School Board feels that it must spend over \$700,000 over the provincial allocation on transportation, due to what the board feels is an unrealistic distribution of funding.

The preliminary report states that the transportation for the 1998-1999 school year will be \$11,200,000. This is \$763,000 over what the province has allocated to the board. The provincial allocation is based on only 97 per cent of last year's portion, despite the fact that there are five additional school days in the upcoming school year. According to School Board Chair Cheryl Murdoch, the board has issued its concerns to the Ministry of Education and Training, but has heard nothing. "We've written

letters and directed the question, but we haven't heard anything," said Murdoch. "There is a definite lack of information. We are trying to formulate a budget, and we are usually done by now."

The transportation allocation doesn't make much sense to Superintendent of Finance Al Ingram either. He feels that the ministry's across the province funding approach is not appropriate for this school board. "I think it's an unfair process. We've been making

cuts in that area for years and now we've been asked to cut further. We don't like taking a blanket cut," said Ingram. He also noted that this is an unfair practice, as many boards have a lower cost associated with transportation as more students walk to school. This is not the case with the Trillium Lakelands Board, which spends an estimated \$60,000 across the board each day in order to transport students to school. "They give us less money and ask us to provide

more service. It's unfair," said Ingram.

The school board hopes that a response on the transportation issue will come with an expected announcement next week on School Board Restructuring funding. The board has applied for over \$9-million to cover the cost of new accounting and payroll software, board-wide network access, and a new student data system. As well, it would cover staff

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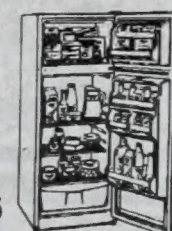


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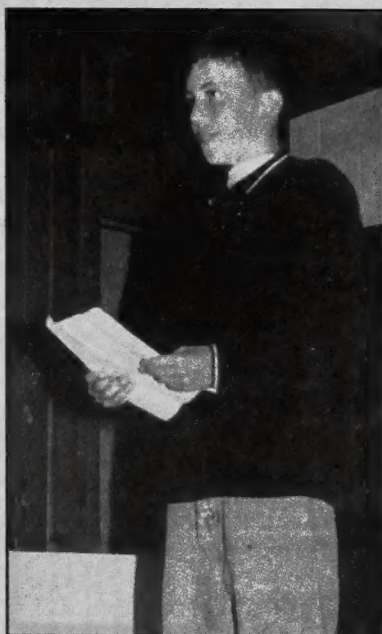


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Wilberforce Elementary honours grads



Wilberforce grade six valedictorian Justin Donaldson speaks to his fellow students, family and members of the community at the Wilberforce Elementary School graduation and awards ceremony on June 24. The graduates include Brandon Bowman, winner of the Physical Education Award, Stephanie DeCarlo, Erin Deschamps, winner of the Citizenship Award, Justin Donaldson, winner of the Academic Award, James Forde, Nicole Forget, winner of the Music Award, Leigha Johnston, also a winner of the Physical Education Award, Evan Norish, Gavin Swan, winner of the Perseverance Award, Audrina Townsend the Most Improved Student, and Erika Spencer. The graduates will be attending J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School in Haliburton in the fall.

"Water conservation remains the theme": TSW

The Haliburton area had a continuing reprieve this past week with light rainfalls and reduced outflows to

\$700,000 shortfall?

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well, it would cover staff training and severance packages in the event of layoffs due to the amalgamation of the three school boards. This funding would be completely covered by the province.

The school board draft budget lists expenditures at \$137,582,302. Classroom expenses take 62.8 per cent of this allocation, while the remainder covers teacher preparation time, staff, board administration, and plant and transportation issues. The board estimates that it will have to reduce its non-classroom expenditures by \$365,799 to meet the provincial allocation.

the canal route. The lakes in Haliburton declined to 83.27 per cent on June 22, a decrease of less than one per cent, which is below the expected decrease for this time of year. Flow reductions along major tributaries should be evident as water conservation remains the theme. Gull, Burnt and other tributaries are now running very close to their respective minimums.

The Kawartha declined a little in the past week, due to the dry weather in this area. Flows from them were increased a little to reduce the surplus. If rainy weather returns, the flow will be maintained but the dry conditions could soon result in a flow that would be near the usual summer minimum.

The Otonabee, Trent and Severn Rivers continue running not far from their normal respective summer minimum flows.

This report was prepared by Trent-Severn Waterway staff on June 23, 1998.



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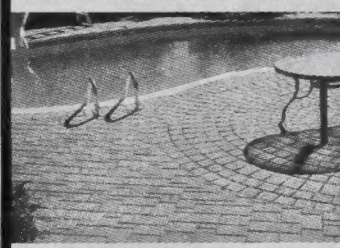
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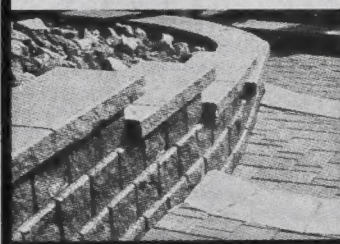


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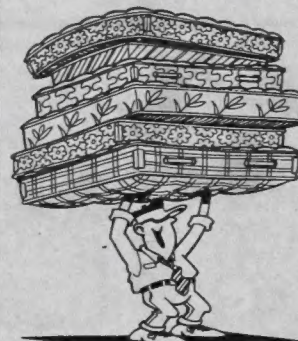
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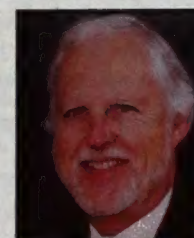
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